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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: NEED FOR INSTRUMENT LANDING SYSTEM
AT JUAN SANTAMARIA AIRPORT

1. PAA HAS INFORMED DEPT THAT EACH SPRING AND FALL IT IS
PLAGUED WITH POOR WEATHER AT JUAN SANTAMARIA AIRPORT.
AS A RESULT PAA AVERAGES APPROXIMATELY FIFTY OVERFLIGHTS
AND DIVERSIONS PER YEAR WHICH ARE COSTLY IN FLIGHT TIME,
FUEL AND OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PASSENGERS.

2. FOR THREE YEARS PAA HAS BEEN MAKING STRONG EFFORT ALONG
WITH LACSA TO HAVE AN INSTRUMENT LANDING SYSTEM (ILS)
INSTALLED AT THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. PAA HAS PREPARED
BOTH TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL REPORTS, WHICH HAVE BEEN
SUBMITTED THROUGH LACSA, ON HOW JOB CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED.
RECOVERY OF COST OF ILS WOULD BE THROUGH INCREASED USER
CHARGES AND PAA AND OTHER CARRIERS HAVE OFFERED TO PUT
UP SOME MONEY TO START THE PROJECT, WHICH WOULD BE CREDITED
AGAINST USER CHARGE ACCOUNT.

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3. ALTHOUGH DGCA HAS REPEATEDLY INDICATED TO PAA THAT ILS

PROJECT WOULD MOVE FORWARD, INSTALLATION AS OF LATE
NOVEMBER 1975 HAD NOT YET BEEN PROGRAMMED. EMB REQUESTED
INVESTIGATE SITUATION REGARDING ILS AND REPORT DEPT. INGERSOLL

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